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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Postal Rate and Fee Changes

Docket No. R2001-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1

(Issued October 9, 2001)

The United States Postal Service is requested to provide the information described below to assist in developing a record for the consideration of the Postal Service's request for changes in rates and fees. In order to facilitate inclusion of the required material in the evidentiary record, the Postal Service is to have a witness attest to the accuracy of the answers and be prepared to explain to the extent necessary the basis for the answers at our hearing. The answers are to be provided within 14 days.

The Postal Service proposes that the current basic automation tiers for First-Class Mail letters, flats and cards be disaggregated into mixed-AADC rates and AADC rates. USPS-T-29 at 20, 28. Similar proposals are made for Standard Mail Regular and Nonprofit letters. USPS-T-32 at 3. Documents presented through Mailing Online are currently eligible for the automation basic rates referenced above that are proposed to be disaggregated. See Request, Attachment A at 103-4. The Postal Service has not offered a proposal to modify the Mailing Online eligibility categories in the event that the Commission recommends the disaggregation proposals. The Postal Service is requested to provide a proposal for modifying the Mailing Online eligibility categories in the event that the disaggregation proposals are recommended, and to provide supporting documentation to justify any proposed modifications.



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Presiding Officer